

13. A method for increasing the level of differentiation of skin keratinocytes, comprising applying to the skin an effective amount of its analogues to an individual in need thereof.

14. A method for stimulating the synthesis of cutaneous vimentin, comprising applying to the skin an effective amount of ascorbic acid or one of its analogues to an individual in need thereof.

15. A method for stimulating the synthesis of cutaneous keratin 10, comprising applying to the skin an effective amount of ascorbic acid or one of its analogues to an individual in need thereof.

16. The method according to claim 12, wherein the ascorbic acid analogues are selected from the group consisting of salts, esters and vigars.

17. The method according to claim 13, wherein the ascorbic acid analogues are selected from the group consisting of salts, esters and vigars.

18. The method according to claim 14, wherein the ascorbic acid analogues are selected from the group consisting of salts, esters and vigars.

19. The method according to claim 15, wherein the ascorbic acid analogues are selected from the group consisting of salts, esters and vigars.

20. The method according to claim 12, wherein the ascorbic acid analogues are selected from the group consisting of sodium ascorbate, magnesium sodium ascorbyl phosphate and the acetic, propionic and palmitic esters thereof and glycosyl ascorbic acid.

21. The method according to claim 13, wherein the ascorbic acid analogues are selected from the group consisting of sodium ascorbate, magnesium sodium ascorbyl phosphate and the acetic, propionic and palmitic esters thereof and glycosyl ascorbic acid.

22. The method according to claim 14, wherein the ascorbic acid analogues are selected from the group consisting of sodium ascorbate, magnesium sodium ascorbyl phosphate and the acetic, propionic and palmitic esters thereof and glycosyl ascorbic acid.

23. The method according to claim 15, wherein the ascorbic acid analogues are selected from the group consisting of sodium ascorbate, magnesium sodium ascorbyl phosphate and the acetic, propionic and palmitic esters thereof and glycosyl ascorbic acid.--